

Historic Preservation Board Meeting
Minutes
June 5, 1995

Board Members Present: Pat Gormley, Phil Born, Sandra Karhu, Steve Schulte

Others Present: Barbara Creasman, Larry Timm

The meeting was called to order at the CD Smith Building. The minutes from the previous meeting were approved as edited.

1. Jarvis Site House: There are many EPA problems with the site and there are multiple types of contamination. Agencies responsible for one contaminant do not want to be responsible for other commingled contaminants. All that can be done now is to fix the existing fence around the entire property. No fence for now around the house.

Sandy suggested that the roof be stabilized if nothing more.

Larry Timm will contact authorities to see if it is a problem to allow a contractor on the Jarvis site to board up and fix the roof of the Jarvis house, should the City Council approve funds for the boarding up.

2. Video Project: Larry Timm reported on his meeting with the Grand Rivers Films representatives and the State Historic Preservation office (Joseph Bell). The idea of the film is to promote public interest and knowledge of historic preservation within the community. The video producers will seek input from the Board on the content of the video program at the July meeting.
3. There was discussion about the possibility of federal funds and support being withdrawn from historic preservation. Political pressure is needed to avoid losing funding and even the Federal Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.
4. Barbara Creasman talked about a meeting she had with Craig Haruter and Joseph Bell, from the State Historical Society at the Avalon. She also talked about grants that have been granted locally for historic preservation. The St. Regis and the steam plant have received funds. The depot did not receive funding this time, but they were encouraged to reapply.

Submitted by Phil Born.

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